

U.S. Application No. 09/811,459

REMARKS

The present Amendment is being filed as a result of a telephone interview with the Examiner during which an agreement was reached to improve the language of the claims. Thus, based on the agreement Applicants have amended claims 1-7 and 11 to further clarify the invention. Claims 8-10 and 12-22 remain unchanged. Therefore the present application has pending claims 1-22.

As agreed the present Amendment will be entered and the present application will again be allowed.

To the extent necessary, Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 CFR §1.136. Please charge any shortage in the fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees and excess claim fees, to Deposit Account No. 50-1417 (referencing case No. 500.39908X00) and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

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